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The following items were adopted at the June 11, 1998, Commission meeting and released later that day.

NEWS RELEASES

COMMON CARRIER ACTION - FCC LAUNCHES PROCEEDING TO PROMOTE TESTING OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES (CC DOCKET NO. 98-94) REPORT NO. CC 98-16. The Commission has initiated a proceeding to promote the deployment of new and advanced telecommunications services to consumers by ensuring that the FCC's rules do not stifle innovation. Action by the Commission June 11, 1998, by NOI (FCC 98-118). Adopted: June 11, 1998. News Media Contact: Rochelle Cohen (202) 418-0253. CCB Contact: Scott Bergmann at (202) 418-7102. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/News_Releases/1998/nrcc8042.html

CABLE SERVICES ACTION - COMMISSION ADOPTS "NAVIGATION DEVICES" RULES CREATING CONSUMER MARKET FOR SET TOP BOXES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT USED WITH VIDEO PROGRAMMING SYSTEMS (CS DOCKET 97-80) REPORT NO. CS 98-11. The Commission has adopted rules providing for the commercial availability of set top boxes and other consumer equipment used to receive video signals and other services. Action by the Commission June 11, 1998, by R&O (FCC 98-116).. Adopted: June 11, 1998. News Media Contact: Morgan Broman (202) 418-2358. CSB Contact: Deborah Klein at (202) 418-7200; TTY: (202) 418-7172. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/News_Releases/1998/nrcb8013.html

MASS MEDIA ACTION - FCC SEEKS COMMENT ON NEGOTIATED INTERFERENCE AGREEMENT PROCEDURES AS PART OF RADIO TECHNICAL RULE STREAMLINING (MM DOCKET NO. 98-93) - REPORT NO. MM 98-7. The FCC proposed a series of new, technical rules to expand options for commercial and noncommercial educational FM and FM translator stations to improve existing broadcast services, and to streamline certain AM and FM technical procedures. In addition, the Commission adopted an Order reflecting minor changes to certain technical rules. Action by the Commission June 11, 1998, by NPRM and Order (FCC 98-117).. Adopted: June 11, 1998. News Media Contact: David Fiske (202) 418-0500. MMB Contact: Peter Doyle at (202) 418-2789; Alyssa Roberts at (202) 418-2710; Bill Scher at (202) 418-2710. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/News_Releases/1998/nrmm8018.html

ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY ACTION - FCC PROPOSES TO ALLOCATE SPECTRUM IN THE 5.9 GHZ RANGE FOR INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS USES (ET DOCKET NO. 98-95) - REPORT NO. ET 98-7. The FCC proposed to allocate 75 megahertz of spectrum for transportation services to improve highway safety and efficiency as part of the U.S. Department of Transportation's "Intelligent Transportation Systems" (ITS) national program. Action by the Commission June 11, 1998 by NPRM (FCC 98-119). Adopted: June 11, 1998. News Media Contact: David Fiske (202) 418-0500. OET Contact: Tom Derenge at (202) 418-2451. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering_Technology/News_Releases/1998/nret8010.html

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The following items are dated for and released on June 12, 1998:

NEWS RELEASES

FCC FILINGS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/filings.html>

OPEN PROCEEDINGS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/oproceed.html>

FCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS. OPA. Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/calendar.html>

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: June 12, 1998. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG- JUNE 11. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/Tariffs/combined/tt061298.pdf

Report No: 1186. Released: June 12, 1998. CABLE TELEVISION SERVICE REGISTRATIONS; SPECIAL RELIEF AND OTHER FILINGS.

Report No: TEL-161-A. Released: June 12, 1998. STREAMLINED INTERNATIONAL SECTION 214 AND SECTION 310(B)(4) APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING (FORMAL SECTION 63.18). Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public_Notices/1998/pnin8152.txt

Report No: TEL-161-B. Released: June 12, 1998. NON-STREAMLINED INTERNATIONAL SECTION 214, CABLE LANDING LICENSE AND SECTION 310(B)(4) APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING (FORMAL SECTION 63.18 AND 1.767). Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public_Notices/1998/pnin8157.txt

Report No: 44261. Released: June 12, 1998. BROADCAST ACTIONS. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Actions/ac980612.txt

Report No: 24261. Released: June 12, 1998. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Applications/ap980612.txt

Report No: 333. Released: June 12, 1998. MASS MEDIA BUREAU CALL SIGN ACTIONS. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Call_Sign_Changes/pnmm8094.wp

Report No: 98-6A. Released: June 12, 1998. FM TRANSLATOR-BOOSTER APPLICATIONS READY AND AVAILABLE FOR PROCESSING. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Radio_Cutoffs/pnmm8093.wp

Report No: LB-98-48. Released: June 12, 1998. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL WIRELESS SERVICE INFORMATION. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1998/pnwl8061.wp

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TCI SATELLITE ENTERTAINMENT, INC. AND PRIMESTAR, INC. AND MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION AND PRIMESTAR LHC, INC. Granted Primestar's request that its information entitled "A Further Analysis of the Effects of Cable Diversion, Premium Service Buy Rates, and Volume Discount's on PRIMESTAR's Competitive Incentives; a Response to Dr. Rosston" be made subject to the Protective Order adopted April 9, 1998. Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: June 11, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-1116). IB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Orders/1998/da981116.wp>

HANNA, WY. Proposed amending FM Table to allot Channel 277C at Hanna, Wyoming, as the community's first local aural transmission service. Comments due August 3; replies August 18. Dkt No.: MM- 98-89. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: June 3, 1998. by NPRM. (DA No. 98-1086). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Notices/1998/da981086.wp

QUESTA, NM. Proposed amending FM Table to allot Channel 279C1 to Questa, New Mexico, as the community's first local aural service. Comments due August 3; replies August 18. Dkt No.: MM- 98-83. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: May 27, 1998. by NPRM. (DA No. 98-1084). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Notices/1998/da981084.wp

KAYCEE, WY. Proposed amending FM Table to allot Chanel 222C1 at Kaycee, Wyoming, as the community's first local aural transmission service. Comments due August 3; replies August 18. Dkt No.: MM- 98-87. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: June 3, 1998. by NPRM. (DA No. 98-1087). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Notices/1998/da981087.wp

WRIGHT, WY. Proposed amending FM Table to allot Channel 268C at Wright, Wyoming, as the community's first local aural transmission service. Comments due August 3; replies August 18. Dkt No.: MM- 98-88. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: June 3, 1998. by NPRM. (DA No. 98-1091). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Notices/1998/da981091.wp

MEETEETSE, WY. Proposed amending FM Table to allot Channel 273C at Meeteetse, Wyoming, as the community's first local aural transmission service. Comments due August 3; replies August 18. Dkt No.: MM- 98-85. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: June 3, 1998. by NPRM. (DA No. 98-1089). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Notices/1998/da981089.wp

WAMSUTTER, WY. Proposed amending FM Table to allot Channel 266C at Wamsutter, Wyoming, as the community's first local aural transmission service. Comments due August 3; replies August 18. Dkt No.: MM- 98-86. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: June 3, 1998. by NPRM. (DA No. 98-1090). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Notices/1998/da981090.wp

PAULS VALLEY AND HEALDTON, OK. Proposed amending FM Table to reallocate Channel 249C3 from Pauls Valley, Oklahoma to Healdton, Oklahoma, as the community's first or second local aural service, and modify Station KGOK's license accordingly. Comments due August 3; replies August 18. Dkt No.: MM- 98-75. Action by Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau. Adopted: May 20, 1998. by NPRM. (DA No. 98-995). MMB

ADDENDA: The following items, released June 11, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 112:

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: June 11, 1998. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU REITERATES SERVICES ELIGIBLE FOR DISCOUNTS TO SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES - CC DOCKET NO. 96-45. (DA No. 98-1110). Contact: Matthew Vitale at (202) 418-0866. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1998/da981110.pdf

Released: June 11, 1998. BELLSOUTH AND SBC FILE APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW OF RAO LETTER 26 TRANSACTION WITH AFFILIATES - PUBLIC COMMENT INVITED. BellSouth Corporation and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., (BellSouth) and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Pacific Bell, and Nevada Bell (SBC) filed Applications for Review of Responsible Accounting Officer Letter 26, Transactions with Affiliates. The Commission is seeking comments on BellSouth's and SBC's Applications for review. Comments due July 13; reply comments due July 28. (DA No. 98-1117). Contact: Debbie Weber at (202) 418-0812. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1998/da981117.wp

Released: June 11, 1998. PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED FOR RESOLUTION OF PRIMARY JURISDICTION REFERRALS BY THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WA IN AT&T V. US WEST AND BY THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IL IN AT&T V. AMERITECH. (DA No. 98-1109). Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/1998/da981109.wp

Report No: 24260. Released: June 11, 1998. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/Brdcst_Applications/ap980611.txt

Report No: CWS-98-36. Released: June 11, 1998. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL WIRELESS INFORMATION. Contact: Irene Longin or Irene Griffith at (202) 418-1385.

Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1998/pnw18060.wp

Released: June 11, 1998. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU COMMERCIAL WIRELESS INFORMATION - WTB GRANTS LIMITED WAIVER OF SPECTRUM CONVERSION DEADLINE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1, 1998, FOR LOCATION AND MONITORING SERVICE NON-MULTILATERATION ENTITIES. (DA No. 98-1113). Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1998/da981113.wp

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1998 BIENNIAL REGULATORY REVIEW -- TESTING NEW TECHNOLOGY. Initiated a proceeding to promote the deployment of new and advanced telecommunications services to consumers by ensuring that the FCC's rules do not stifle innovation. Comments due July 21; reply comments due August 5. Dkt No.: CC- 98-94. Action by the Commission. Adopted: June 11, 1998, by NOI. (FCC No. 98-118). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Notices/1998/fcc98118.pdf

AMENDMENT OF PARTS 2 AND 90 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES TO ALLOCATE THE 5.850-5.925 GHZ BAND TO MOBILE SERVICE FOR ITS. Proposed to allocate 75 megahertz of spectrum for transportation services to improve highway safety and efficiency as part of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) national program. Dkt No.: ET- 98-95. Action by the Commission. Adopted: June 11, 1998, by NPRM. (FCC No. 98-119). OET Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering_Technology/Notices/1998/fcc98119.pdf

THIRD ANNUAL CMRS COMPETITION REPORT. To implement Section 6002(b) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, released third annual report and analysis of competitive market conditions with respect to commercial mobile services. Action by the Commission. Adopted: May 14, 1998. by Report. (FCC No. 98-91). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Reports/fcc98091.pdf>

ADDENDA: The following items, released June 10, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 111:

PUBLIC NOTICES

Report No: D-990. Released: June 10, 1998. MASS MEDIA BUREAU MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING. Internet URL: [https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Public Notices/MDS Notices/md980610.pdf](https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/Public_Notices/MDS_Notices/md980610.pdf)